

TOWN OF ELLINGTON

Ad Hoc Committee for the Robert Tedford Memorial

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Ad Hoc Committee for the Robert Tedford Memorial Special Meeting Minutes August 8, 2019 Town Hall Meeting Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Timothy Webb, Joanne Tedford, Lisa Houlihan, Thomas Boscarino, Dustin Huguenin,

Kate Tedford

MEMBERS ABSENT: Felicia LaPlante, Sherry Kraus

OTHERS PRESENT: Mitchell Pawlowski; Julia Connor, Recording Secretary

I. Call to Order

Chairman Boscarino called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

II. Citizens' Forum [non-agenda items]: No citizens came forward.

III. Approval of Minutes – June 18, 2019

MOVED (BOSCARINO), SECONDED (HUGUENIN) AND PASSED [AYE: BOSCARINO/HUGUENIN/J. TEDFORD/K. TEDFORD; ABSTAIN: WEBB/HOULIHAN] TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 11, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. Memorial Markers

Chairman Boscarino received correspondence from Felicia LaPlante between herself and Brian Greenleaf, Director of Finance and Operations for Ellington Public Schools; the Committee needs to submit something in writing indicating that they would like the Board of Education to consider placing memorial markers in school buildings/facilities. This would be presented to the Facilities and Operations Subcommittee; if approved, it would then be presented to the full Board of Education. There is a Facilities and Operations meeting scheduled for August 19th and this item could be considered then. Specific locations, size, and language should be included in the presentation to them. The protocol for such markers on Town property would include the Board of Selectmen and the Public Works Department; Tim Webb recommended letting the Board of Education know if such installation would be on or adjacent to their athletic fields.

It was discussed that the marker at the Ellington High School soccer field should be a stone flush to the ground near the spot where Bob stood during athletic contests; it was agreed that any plaques in the schools should be 8x10 or 9x12 sized. A marker similar to that of the EHS soccer field could also be looked into for Crystal Lake.

The decision of the Committee was to pursue markers in the gymnasiums of Windermere School, Ellington Middle School and Ellington High School. These markers will likely include a quote or saying that embodied the spirit that Bob brought to the Recreation Department, as well as his name, title and dates served.

MOVED (WEBB), SECONDED (J. TEDFORD) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO SUBMIT A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE TO INSTALL 9"x12" MEMORIAL PLAQUES IN THE GYMNASIUMS AT ELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, ELLINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND WINDERMERE SCHOOL.

B. Update on Robert Tedford Memorial Park

Chairman Boscarino confirmed that advertisements and publications have already begun utilizing the new name of the park. Lisa Houlihan shared that it's her belief that once the Town records have changed over, Google and other search engines will reflect that.

Mrs. Tedford shared that Carl White of Ellington Printery came up with a few different font and design options for the new sign. The Committee members will continue to discuss these design elements; consistency with other Town signage is going to be considered. Save the Date cards will be created and sent out to appropriate parties for the formal dedication on October 26, 2019.

V New Business

There was no new business at this time.

VI. Review Action Items

No action items were discussed at this time.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED (WEBB), SECONDED (HOULIHAN) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:25 PM.

Submitted by

Julia Connor